

Mark your calendar for the SOURCE ONE JOB FAIR!



Friday Sept 19, 08 from 11:30-4:00 at the Ramada Inn, Guelph

For more information speak to a 2nd Chance staff about featured employers and the positions available....

Be prepared for possible on site interviews!



“The beautiful thing about learning is nobody can take it away from you”

BB King

Continuing Education

By Melissa Pound

January has never really felt like New Year's to me – September is the start of my year. Whether it's the cool air or the end of summer vacations, the autumn always seems to be a time for gearing up and starting something new. This year, September is especially exciting for me. Like many other people in mid-career, I'll be heading back to school.

There are lots of practical reasons for going back. James Houston, a columnist with Workopolis, wrote that “today's worker will have held 10 to 14 jobs by the time they are 38 [and] over the next five years, two thirds of all new jobs will require a post-secondary education.” Training can enhance your existing skill set and move you forward in your career, or it can be part of a career change. Either way, education can open your eyes to new opportunities and prepare you to take advantage of them.

Unfortunately, people don't always feel that education is possible for them. Some have learning disabilities (diagnosed or undiagnosed). Some have been hurt by the education system and don't see how it could be helpful. Many would like to improve their education but are struggling to pay rent or handle working and parenting – adding school to the equation seems like too much.

Whatever your situation, take heart. There are more resources out there than you might know about: OSAP, Second Career, Skills Development, subsidized childcare, supports for students with disabilities and much more. In fact, there is so much information that it can be hard to sift through! I encourage you to reach out for help – you can start by asking at 2nd Chance.

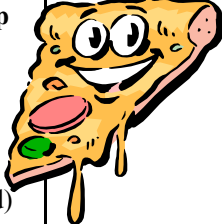

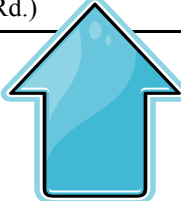
Good luck in your journey!

Check out these website links for more information about education & training:

www.ontariocolleges.ca
<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/private.html>
www.canlearn.ca
<http://www.distanceedcanada.ca/>
http://canadapropects.com/products/cp_94/learning/going.html

Don't forget to check the other side for workshops, job fairs and other events...

Sept. 2008 ~ 2nd CHANCE EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2 Drop In Activities @ YRC 3:00-4:30 pm ways2work Info Session Norfolk 10am	3 YWAP/ Keys to Workplace Survival Workshops (Norfolk) 1:30-3 pm Video Games @ YRC 4:00-6:00pm	4 Arts Club @YRC 4:00-6:00pm	5
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22 First Day of Autumn! 	23 Drop In Activities @ YRC 3:00-4:30 pm Norfolk Ace the Interview Workshop 1:30-3:30 ways2work Info Session Norfolk 10am	24 YWAP/ Keys to Workplace Survival Workshops (Norfolk) 1:30-3 pm Video Games @ YRC 4:00-6:00pm	25 Trivia Night @YRC 4:00-6:00pm YWAP @ YRC 2pm	26 
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Workshop Descriptions:

YWAP:

Learn how to avoid accidents at work - and what to do if they happen!

Keys to Workplace Survival:

You can survive and succeed in your job! Learn how!

Ace the Interview:

Wow employers by presenting your skills like an expert!

Questions? Ask any 2nd Chance Staff or call our main office at (519) 823-2440

Where is 2nd Chance?

Downtown Guelph

177 Norfolk St., 519-823-2440

Monday to Friday

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Youth Resource Centre (YRC)
Stone Road Mall, 519-823-2818

Mon/Tues 9:30 to 4:30

Wed/Thurs 9:30 to 7:00

Friday 12:00 to 4:30

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160 St. David St., 519-843-5513

Monday to Friday

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

NOTE: Workshops are also held at schools and other organizations in the community. For more information, check 2ndchance.ca/jobs/events.shtml or give us a call!